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AT the Court at *St. James's* the 21st Day of *August*, 1776,

PRESENT,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty was graciously pleased, by His Royal Proclamation, bearing Date the Twenty-second Day of March last, to promise and declare, That the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Two Pounds for every Ordinary Seaman, fit for His Majesty's Service, should be paid in the Manner thereby directed to every such Able and Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who should, on or before the Thirtieth Day of April then following, enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of His Majesty's Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board such Tenders as should be employed for raising Men for the Service of the Royal Navy: And whereas the Time thereby limited was by Orders in Council prolonged and extended from the said Thirtieth Day of April to the Thirty-first Day of this Instant August; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the said Bounties should be continued to be paid for some longer Time; His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, doth therefore order, and it is hereby accordingly ordered, That the Time limited for Payment of the said Bounties be prolonged and extended from the said Thirty-first Day of this Instant August to the Thirty-first Day of October next inclusive. — Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Steph. Cottrell.

At the Court at St. *James's*, the 21st Day of *August*, 1776,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council of the 17th of May last, for prohibiting the Exporting out of this Kingdom, or carrying Coastwise, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, will expire on the 23d of this instant August; and whereas it is judged expedient that the said Prohibition should be continued for some Time longer, except in those Cases where (for the Benefit and Advantage of Trade, and for the Use and Defence of Ships trading to Foreign Parts, and of the Transports and Victualling Vessels employed in His Majesty's Service) His Majesty, by His several Orders in Council of the 13th and 27th of October, and of the 6th and 22d of November, 1775, and of the 5th and 19th of February last, has thought proper to permit and allow the Exportation of, and carrying Coastwise, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, Arms and Ammunition, under certain Conditions and Restrictions mentioned in the said Orders: His Majesty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order, require, prohibit, and command, That no Person or Persons whomsoever (except the Master-General, Lieutenant-General, or Principal Officers of the Ordnance, for His Majesty's Service) do, at any Time during the Space of Three Months, to commence from the said 23d Day of this instant August, presume to transport into any Parts out of this Kingdom, or carry Coastwise, any Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, or ship or lade any Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, on board any Ship or Vessel, in order to transporting the same beyond the Seas, or carrying the same Coastwise, except in the Cases comprized within the aforementioned Orders in Council of the 13th and 27th of October, and the 6th and 22d of November, 1775, and of the 5th and 19th of February last, without Leave or Permission in that Behalf first obtained from His Majesty, or His Privy Council, upon pain of incurring and suffering the respective Forfeitures and Penalties inflicted by an Act passed in the 29th Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to impower His Majesty to prohibit the "Exportation of Salt-petre, and to enforce the "Law for empowering His Majesty to prohibit the "Exportation of Gunpowder, or any Sort of Arms "and Ammunition; and also to impower His Ma-"jesty to restrain the carrying Coastwise of Salt-"petre, Gunpowder, or any Sort of Arms or Am-"munition." And the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Master-General of the Ordnance, and His Majesty's Secretary at War, are to give the necessary Directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

Steph. Cottrell.

Whitehall, August 24, 1776.

CAPTAIN Hope arrived on Wednesday Evening last from South Carolina with Dispatches from Commodore Sir Peter Parker and Lieutenant-General Clinton.

Extract of a Letter from Sir Peter Parker to Mr. Stephens, Secretary of the Admiralty, dated within Charles-Town Bar, July 9, 1776.

IT having been judged adviseable to make an Attempt upon Charles Town in South Carolina, the Fleet sailed from Cape Fear on the 1st of June, and on the 4th anchored off Charles Town Bar. The 5th sounded the Bar, and laid down Buoys preparatory to the intended Entrance of the Harbour. The 7th all the Frigates and most of the Transports got over the Bar into Five-Fathom Hole. The 9th General Clinton landed on Long Island with about Four or Five Hundred Men. The 10th the Bristol got over the Bar with some Difficulty. The 15th gave the Captains of the Squadron my Arrangement for the Attack of the Batteries on Sulivan's Island, and the next Day acquainted General Clinton that the Ships were ready. The General fixed on the 23d for our joint Attack, but the Wind proving unfavourable prevented its taking Effect. The 25th the Experiment arrived, and next Day came over the Bar, when a new Arrangement was made for the Attack. The 28th, at Half an Hour after Nine in the Morning, informed General Clinton by Signal that I should go on the Attack. At Half an Hour after Ten I made the Signal to weigh; and about a Quarter after Eleven the Bristol, Experiment, Active, and Solebay, brought up against the Fort. The Thunder Bomb, covered by the Friendship Armed Vessel, brought the Saliant Angle of the East Bastion to bear N.W. by N. and Colonel James (who has ever since our Arrival been very anxious to give the best Assistance) threw several Shells a little before and during the Engagement in a very good Direction. The Sphynx, Actæon, and Syren were to have been to the Westward, to prevent Fire-ships or other Vessels from annoying the Ships engaged, to enfilade the Works, and, if the Rebels should be driven from them, to cut off their Retreat, if possible. This last Service was not performed, owing to the Ignorance of the Pilot, who run the three Frigates aground. The Sphynx and Syren got off in a few Hours, but the Actæon remained fast 'till the next Morning, when the Cap-

tain

her on Fire. I ordered a Court Martial on the Captain, Officers, and Company, and they have been honourably acquitted. Captain Hope made his Armed Ship as uſeful as he could on this Occaſion, and he merits every Thing that can be ſaid in his Favour. During the Time of our being a-breaſt of the Fort, which was near ten Hours, a briſk Fire was kept up by the Ships, with Intervals, and we had the Satisfaction, after being engaged two Hours, to oblige the Rebels to ſlacken their Fire very much. We drove large Parties ſeveral Times out of the Fort, which were replaced by others from the Main. About half an Hour after Three, a conſiderable Reinforcement from Mount Pleaſant hung a Man on a Tree at the Back of the Fort, and we imagine that the ſame Party ran away about an Hour after, for the Fort was then totally ſilenced, and evacuated for near one Hour and an half; but the Rebels finding that our Army could not take Poſſeſſion, about Six o'Clock a conſiderable Body of People re-entered the Fort, and renewed the Firing from two or three Guns, the reſt being, I ſuppoſe, diſmounted. About Nine o'Clock, it being very dark, great Part of our Ammunition expended, the People fatigued, the Tide of Ebb almoſt done, no Proſpect from the Eaſtward, and no Poſſibility of our being of any farther Service, I ordered the Ships to withdraw to their former Moorings. Their Lordſhips will ſee plainly by this Account, that if the Troops could have co-operated on this Attack, His Majeſty would have been in Poſſeſſion of Sulivan's Iſland. But I muſt beg Leave here to be fully underſtood, leſt it ſhould be imagined that I mean to throw the moſt diſtant Reflection on our Army: I ſhould not diſcharge my Conſcience, were I not to acknowledge, that ſuch was my Opinion of His Majeſty's Troops, from the General down to the private Soldier, that after I had been engaged ſome Hours, and perceived that the Troops had not got a Footing on the North End of Sulivan's Iſland, I was perfectly ſatisfied that the Landing was impracticable, and that the Attempt would have been the Deſtruction of many brave Men without the leaſt Probability of Succeſs; and this, I am certain, will appear to be the Caſe, when General Clinton repreſents his Situation. — The Briſtol had 40 Men killed, and 71 wounded; the Experiment 23 killed and 56 wounded, and both of them ſuffered much in their Hulls, Maſts, and Rigging; the Active had Lieutenant Pike killed, and 6 Men wounded; and the Solebay 8 Men wounded. Not one Man who was quartered at the Beginning of the Action on the Briſtol's Quarter-deck eſcaped being killed or wounded. Captain Morris loſt his Right Arm, and received other Wounds, and is ſince dead; the Maſter is wounded in his Right Arm, but will recover the Uſe of it: I received ſeveral Contuſions at different Times, but as none of them are on any Part where the leaſt Danger can be apprehended, they are not worth mentioning. Lieutenants Caulfield, Molloy, and Nugent, were the Lieutenants of the Briſtol in the Action; they behaved ſo remarkably well that it is impoſſible to ſay to whom the Preference is due; and ſo indeed I may ſay of all the Petty Officers, Ship's Company, and Voluntiers. At the Head of the latter I muſt place Lord William Campbell, who was ſo condeſcending as to accept of the Direction of ſome Guns on the Lower Gun Deck. His Lordſhip received a Contuſion on his Left Side, but I have the Happineſs to inform their Lordſhips that it has not proved of much Conſequence. Captain Scott, of the Experiment, loſt his Left Arm, and is otherwiſe ſo much wounded, that I fear he will not recover. I cannot conclude this Letter without remarking, that when it was known that we had many Men too weak to come to Quarters, almoſt all the Seamen belonging to the Tranſports offered their Service with a truly Britiſh Spirit, and a juſt Senſe of the Cauſe we are engaged in. I accepted of upwards of Fifty to ſupply the Place of our Sick. The Maſters of many of the Tranſports attended with their Boats, but particular Thanks are due to Mr. Chambers, the Maſter of the Mercury.

All the Regiments will be embarked in a few Days, The firſt Brigade, conſiſting of Four Re-

for New York; and the Briſtol and Experiment will, I hope, ſoon follow with the Remainder.

Sir Peter Parker's Squadron conſiſted of the following Ships and Veſſels:

Ships, &c.	*Guns.*	*Commanders.*
Briſtol - - -	50	Sir Peter Parker. / Capt. John Morris.
Experiment - -	50	Alexander Scott.
Active - -	28	William Williams.
Solebay - -	28	Thomas Symonds.
Actæon - -	28	Chriſtopher Atkins.
Syren - - -	28	Tobias Furneaux.
Sphynx - -	20	Anthony Hunt.
Friendſhip armed Veſſel - -	22	Charles Hope.
Ranger Sloop -	8	Roger Wills.
Thunder Bomb	8	James Reid.
Saint Laurence Schooner - -		Lieut. John Graves.

Whitehall, Auguſt 24.

IT appears, by Lieutenant-General Clinton's Letter to Lord George Germain, dated July 8, 1776, from the Camp on Long Iſland, Province of South Carolina, that Sir Peter Parker and the General having received Intelligence that the Fortreſs erected by the Rebels on Sulivan's Iſland (the Key to Charles Town Harbour) was in an imperfect and unfiniſhed State, reſolved to attempt the Reduction thereof by a Coup de Main; and that, in order that the Army might co-operate with the Fleet, the General landed his Troops on Long Iſland, which had been repreſented to him as communicating with Sulivan's Iſland by a Ford paſſable at Low Water; but that he, to his very great Mortification, found the Channel, which was reported to have been Eighteen Inches deep at Low Water, to be Seven Feet deep; which Circumſtance rendered it impoſſible for the Army to give that Aſſiſtance to the Fleet in the Attack made upon the Fortreſs that the General intended, and which he, and the Troops under his Command, ardently wiſhed to do.

St. James's, Auguſt 24.

The King has been pleaſed to grant the Dignity of a Baronet of the Kingdom of Great Britain, to them and their Heirs Male, unto

George Winn, of Little Warley in the County of Eſſex, Eſq; and late one of the Barons of His Majeſty's Court of Exchequer in Scotland.

Herbert Mackworth, of the Gnoll in the County of Glamorgan, Eſq;

James Laroche, of Over in the Pariſh of Aldmondſbury in the County of Glouceſter, Eſq;

Henry Peyton, of Doddington in the Iſle of Ely, Eſq;

George Baker, Doctor in Phyſick, and Phyſician in Ordinary to Her Majeſty.

St. James's, Auguſt 24.

Mr. Robert Hallifax and Mr. Edward Holdich are appointed joint Apothecary to His Majeſty's Houſehold.

St. James's, Auguſt 24.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto Benjamin Wheeler, Doctor in Divinity, the Office and Place of Regius Profeſſor of Divinity in the Univerſity of Oxford, together with the Place and Dignity of a Canon of the Cathedral Church of Chriſt in the ſaid Univerſity, properly belonging to the Regius Profeſſor of the ſaid Univerſity, being both void by the Death of Dr. Edward Bentham, late Regius Profeſſor of Divinity there.

Dublin Caſtle.

By the Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland,

A PROCLAMATION.

HARCOURT.

WHEREAS His Majeſty hath ſignified unto us His Royal Pleaſure, That the Parliament of this Kingdom, which now ſtands prorogued to Tueſday the Twentieth Day of this Inſtant Auguſt, be further prorogued to Tueſday the Twenty-ninth Day of October next: We do therefore publiſh and declare, That the Parliament be, and accordingly the ſaid Parliament is hereby further prorogued

take Notice accordingly.

Given at His Majesty's Castle of *Dublin*, the 16th Day of August, 1776.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. Blaquiere.

Dublin Castle, August 14.

Letters Patent are preparing to be passed under the Great Seal of this Kingdom, containing His Majesty's Presentation of the Reverend Humphry Hartley, Clerk, Master of Arts, to the entire Rectory of Shankhill, otherwise St. Kill, in the Diocese of Leighlin, being now void, and in His His Majesty's Disposal.

AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From August 12, to August 17, 1776.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Bushel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
London,	4	4	3	0	2	1	2	0	3	4
COUNTIES INLAND.										
Middlesex,	4	8	——		3	0	2	4	3	2
Surry,	4	8	——		——		2	3	3	8
Hertford,	4	7	——		3	0	2	2	3	6
Bedford,	4	5	——		——		2	0	3	2
Cambridge,	4	2	2	11	——		1	11	2	6
Huntingdon,	4	4	——		2	11	2	0	3	0
Northampton,	4	10	2	5	2	5	2	2	3	4
Rutland,	4	11	——		2	6	——		——	
Leicester,	4	10	3	4	2	6	2	1	3	11
Nottingham,	4	8	3	6	——		2	3	3	9
Derby,	5	0	——		——		1	11	4	0
Stafford,	4	10	3	1	——		1	10	3	7
Salop,	4	8	3	7	2	3	2	0	3	1
Hereford,	4	0	——		——		——		——	
Worcester,	4	7	——		——		2	0	3	2
Warwick,	4	11	——		——		2	3	3	9
Glocester,	4	9	——		——		1	9	3	6
Wilts,	4	6	——		2	4	1	11	3	9
Berks,	4	7	——		2	2	2	1	3	0
Oxford,	4	9	——		2	3	2	1	3	4
Bucks,	4	8	——		2	2	2	2	3	2
COUNTIES upon the COAST.										
Essex,	4	2	3	0	2	10	2	2	3	2
Suffolk,	4	1	3	3	2	3	2	0	2	9
Norfolk,	4	2	2	10	2	0	2	0	——	
Lincoln,	4	4	3	9	2	4	1	10	3	7
York,	4	9	3	3	2	4	1	9	3	8
Durham,	4	10	3	4	——		1	11	4	0
Northumberland,	4	6	3	4	2	7	1	9	3	5
Cumberland,	4	11	3	7	2	4	1	10	3	9
Westmorland,	5	3	3	11	2	7	1	10	3	4
Lancashire,	5	5	——		2	9	1	11	3	9
Cheshire,	5	2	——		——		1	10	——	
Monmouth,	5	2	——		2	7	2	0	——	
Somerset,	4	11	3	3	2	3	2	2	2	11
Devon,	5	9	——		2	9	1	8	——	
Cornwall,	5	4	——		2	6	1	9	——	
Dorset,	4	8	——		2	4	2	0	3	6
Hampshire,	4	5	——		2	7	2	1	3	2
Sussex,	4	3	——		2	6	2	4	3	4
Kent,	4	6	——		2	9	2	4	3	1

From August 5, to August 10, 1776.

WALES.										
North Wales,	5	5	3	10	2	7	1	9	3	11
South Wales,	5	3	4	0	3	0	1	6	3	3

Part of **SCOTLAND.**

Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.		Big.	
4	1	——		1	11	1	10	2	3	——	

Published by Authority of Parliament,

Will^m^ Cooke.

East-India House, August 21, 1776.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That the Transfer Books of the East-India Annuities will be shut on Friday the 13th of September next, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Friday the 11th of October following.

And that the Dividend Warrants, due the 10th of said October, will be ready to be delivered on Saturday the 2d of November next.

East-India House, August 21, 1776.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 25th of September next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

Warwick, August 21, 1776.

THE Deputy-Lieutenants of the County of Warwick, in the Absence of the Lord Lieutenant of the said County, at a General Meeting held this Day at Warwick in and for the said County, in Pursuance of the Laws now in Force relating to the Militia, have ordered that the Militia of the County of Warwick aforesaid shall be trained and exercised this Year by Regiment for Twenty-eight Days together; and that the said Militia shall assemble and meet at Warwick, for that Purpose, on Saturday the 14th of September next; of which Time and Place, in Pursuance of the said Laws relating to the Militia, I hereby give this Notice. And all Militia Men of the said County are required to attend at the Time and Place of Exercise appointed as aforesaid: And if any Militia Man (not labouring under any Infirmity incapacitating him) shall not appear at the Time and Place aforesaid, every Militia Man who shall be convicted thereof upon Oath, before one Justice of the Peace, will forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds; which, if not immediately paid, the said Justice is by the Laws aforesaid directed by Warrant to commit such Militia Man to the Common Goal of the said County; there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for the Space of Six Months, or until he shall have paid the Penalty aforesaid.

A. Awson, *Clerk of the General Meetings.*

ANY Person being the nearest of Kin or Relation of John Joseph Kirchmer, a Native of Alsace in Germany, who came to England about thirty Years ago, and who is lately dead in the Service of General Mostyn, of Dover-street in the Parish of St. George Hanover-square, who has any Claim on the Effects of the said John Joseph Kirchmer, are desired to apply to Mr. William Watson, Attorney, in Parliament-street, Westminster, and they will be apprized of the State of his Affairs.

PUrsuant to Order made by the Right Honourable Henry Earl Bathurst, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for further Enlarging the Time for John Radenhurst, late of Dolgun Forge in the Parish of Dolgelley in Merionethshire, North Wales, Ironmaster, but now of the Parish of Heswall in the County of Chester, Merchant, Dealer and Chapman, (a Bankrupt) to surrender himself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, for Twenty one Days, to be computed from the 24th Day of August instant; This is to give Notice, that the Commissioners in the said Commission named and authorized, or the major Part of them, will meet on the 14th Day of September next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where said Bankrupt is required to surrender himself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, and finish his Examination; and the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, may then and there come and prove the same, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Richard Bishop, late of Holborn in the Parish of St. Andrew Holborn in the County of Middlesex, Baker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 31st Day of August instant, on the 14th Day of September next, and on the 5th Day of October following, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to choose Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Jennings, Attorney, Shoe-lane.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against David Riz, of Sweedland-court in the Parish of St. Botolph Bishopsgate Without, London, Soapmaker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 3d and 6th Days of September next, and on the 5th Day of October following, at Ten in the Forenoon on each Day, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Collett, Attorney, Lamb's-conduit-street, London.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Samuel Cole, of Dartmouth in the County of Devon, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared